

A new Central American species of *Monedula*. (Hym.)

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Monedula belizensis sp. nov. ♀.

Black, with the following parts pale yellow: the lower half of the inner orbits, the outer entirely, the line narrow, becoming narrowed above, the apex of the clypeus, the sides more broadly than the middle, the sides of the labrum broadly, the apex more narrowly, mandibles except the teeth and apex, the base of pronotum broadly, the line dilated laterally, a narrow line round its apex, the line roundly dilated at the apex and united by a narrow oblique one to the basal one, 2 transverse lines on the sides of the scutellum at the base, reaching close to the centre, 2 narrower, almost united ones on the post-scutellum, a curved line round the base of the metanotum, the sides of the apex broadly, a large spot on the base of the mesopleurae, the top narrowed and curved, the lower part dilated, rounded below, its upper part of equal width, an elongated oval mark behind the upper part of this, its top being shortly below the end of the oblique narrowed upper part of the basal mark, a large mark on the base of metapleurae, the middle much narrowed, the ends roundly dilated; large irregular marks on the sides of the basal 3 abdominal segments, the basal oblique, the 2nd broader, transverse, the 3rd semicircular; a much longer transverse spot on the sides of the 4th, the inner part narrowed and a spot half its length and of equal width on the 5th; 2 spots in the centre of the 1st, 2 wider ones, dilated on the inner-side on the 2nd and 2 shorter oblique ones (but larger than the 2 on the 1st segment) on the 3rd; a curved oblique spot (half the size of the upper) on the extreme lower edge of the 1st, not extended to the ventral surface, and spots, widened at the apex, on the sides of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th ventral, these spots becoming successively smaller. Legs black; a line on the underside of the femora, the outer side of the fore tibiae entirely and the 4 posterior except at the apex, the anterior tarsi in front, and the 4 posterior except at the

apices of the joints and a line on the basal joint, pale yellow. Wings hyaline, highly iridescent, the nervures and stigma black. — Length 24 mm.

Belize.

Occiput, front and vertex thickly covered with long white hair, the pleurae with shorter white hair. Underside of scape yellow, the basal joints of flagellum brownish below. Fore ocellus round, large, the posterior large, oblong. Basal half of clypeus keeled in the middle. Basal half of mesonotum depressed and keeled in the middle, the keel gradually narrowed towards the apex. Cheeks and clypeus with a silvery pubescence.

The only species with which that here described can be confounded is *punctata* F. They may be separated thus:

- 1. Clypeus black, except at apex, mesonotum without 2 central lines, the line on scutellum interrupted, abdomen with 6 central spots, colour pale yellow. *M. beligensis*.
- Clypeus yellow, with a befid black mark; mesonotum with 2 yellow lines, the line on scutellum continuous, abdomen with 8 central spots, the yellow bright. *M. punctata*.

Description of a new species of *Dielis* from Ecuador. (Hym.)

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Dielis ecuadorensis sp. nov. ♀.

Black; the head and thorax densely covered with long white pubescence, the pubescence on the pro- and mesonotum tinged with fulvous, the abdominal segments fringed with white, slightly tinged with fulvous, hair; wings with the costa and nervures bright ferruginous; 2nd cubital cellule not reaching to apex of the radial; its apex obliquely sloped, straight, not rounded, forming a sharp angle below; calcaria black, the tibial spines black; the tarsal spines black, slightly tinged with rufous. —

Length 23 mm.

Apex of clypeus stoutly, irregularly, longitudinally striated. Front and vertex smooth, except for a band of large punctures across the ocelli, extending to the eyes. Pubescence on front, long, dense and pale. Mesonotum strongly punctured except for a large smooth square in the centre, commencing shortly behind the middle, the